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In re Application of
Boris Atlas
Application No. 09/828,029
Filed: April 6, 2001
Attorney Docket No. 9323.055.00-US:

DECISION GRANTING PETITIONS UNDER § 1.48(e) and § 1.183

This is a combined decision on the "PETITION TO SUSPEND THE RULES UNDER 37 C.F.R 1.183", filed September 20, 2005, to waive the requirement under § 1.48(a)(2) for execution of the required statement by the inventor being deleted from the application.

The above-identified application was filed on April 6, 2001. On January 4, 2005, applicant filed a request for correction of inventorship under 37 CFR 1.48(a). However, in an Office action mailed May 20, 2005, the Examiner dismissed the request. The request under 37 CFR 1.48(a) lacked a statement from the inventor being deleted (In-Kwon Jeong) that such error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intent. On September 20, 2005, applicant filed the instant petition.

### 37 CFR 1.48(a) requires:

- (1) A request to correct the inventorship that sets forth the desired inventorship change;
- (2) A statement by the person or persons whose names are being deleted that the inventorship error occurred without deceptive intention on the part of such person or persons;
- (3) An oath or declaration by the actual inventor or inventors as required by § 1.63 or as permitted by §§ 1.42, 1.43, or § 1.47;
- (4) The processing fee set forth in § 1.17(i); and
- (5) If an assignment has been executed by any of the original named inventors, the written consent of the assignee (see § 3.73 (b) of this chapter).

Petitioner has satisfied requirements (1), (3), (4) and (5) above. The petition sets forth the desired inventorship change. Petitioner has paid the processing fee. Petitioner previously filed a declaration on January 4, 2005. In addition, on January 4, 2005, petitioner included written consent from Carol W. Wu, Chapter 7 Trustee for assignee Oriol, Inc.

Petitioner requests waiver of the requirement that In-Kwon Jeong sign the statement that the inventorship error occurred without deceptive intent. In support thereof, petitioner has provided a statement of facts by Anthony Johnson, stating: (1) during a phone conversation with Jeong on March 18, 2005, Johnson explained that Jeong was not an inventor; (2) Jeong stated that he did not want to sign anything without speaking to his attorney; and (3) that Johnson mailed letters to Jeong on March 18, 2005 and April 22, 2005, requesting that Jeong sign the required statement under 37 CFR 1.48(a)(2).

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.183, any requirement of the regulations, which is not a requirement of the statutes, may be waived by the Commissioner's designee in an extraordinary situation, when justice so requires. Waiver of the requirement is appropriate in this instance. The facts of the record do not present uncertainty as to this correction of inventorship. The assignee has given consent to the requested correction. Petitioner has shown that Jeong has been given the opportunity to sign the statement under 37 CFR 1.48(e)(2), but refuses to do so.

Accordingly, the petition under § 1.183 is **GRANTED**.

In view thereof, the petition under § 1.48(e) is GRANTED.

Receipt of the \$400 petition fee is acknowledged. The \$130 processing fee required by 1.48(a)(4) was previously filed on January 4, 2005.

Accordingly, the declaration filed on January 4, 2005 will be entered, despite the fact that the requirement set forth in 37 CFR 1.48(a)(2) that the person being deleted sign a statement that the inventorship error occurred without deceptive intent has not been satisfied.

The matter is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 3753 for consideration of the amendment filed September 20, 2005.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3207.

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BORIS ATLAS, SAN JOSE, CA;

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